

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Special Access Rates for Price Cap)	WC Docket No. 05-25
Local Exchange Carriers)	
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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The United States Telecom Association (USTelecom) files this Motion pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Federal Communications Commission rules,¹ requesting that the Commission extend the period for all interested parties to file reply comments to the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)² in the above-captioned proceeding from July 13, 2005, to July 29, 2005.

CompTel/ALTS filed a request for an extension of time to file reply comments in this proceeding on June 23, 2005.³ USTelecom supports this CompTel/ALTS request in light of the delay in posting all of the initial comments on the Federal Communications Commission web site until earlier this week. When coupled with the timing of the current deadline for filing reply comments, which is during the week after Independence Day, when many employees of interested parties and experts engaged in this proceeding will be taking time off to be with their families, this delay will complicate parties' efforts to review the record and respond to any new issues raised in the initial comments. A brief extension, until July 29, 2005, will enable parties

¹ 47 C.F.R. §1.46.

² *Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket No. 05-25, Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 1994 (2005).

³ CompTel/ALTS, Request for Extension of Time to File Reply Comments, *Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket No. 05-25 (filed June 23, 2005).

to more fully review and respond to the initial comments and attachments, and thus facilitate development of a more complete record for the Commission's review. Moreover, this modest extension would not prejudice any party.

For all of these reasons, USTelecom respectfully requests that the Commission grant an extension of time until July 29, 2005 to file reply comments in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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